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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VIDELA-MONDALE MEETING IN ROME

REF: ROME 16283

1. EMBASSY CAN CONFIRM THAT REQUEST FOR MEETING WAS MADE BY ARGENTINES AND THAT WE AGREED. VIDELA WILL MEET WITH MONDALE. WE ASKED ARGENTINES TO KEEP THIS MEETING CONFIDENTIAL AS MAINTAINING CONFIDENTIALITY WAS A PRE-CONDITION TO AGREEMENT, STRESSING PUBLICITY WOULD NOT SERVE INTERESTS OF EITHER PARTY. ALSO THAT VICE PRESIDENT WILL NOT BE ENGAGING IN ANY OTHER BILATERALS.

2. WE ASSUME THAT PURPOSE OF THE REQUEST WAS TO DISCUSS

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US/ARGENTINE RELATIONS AND AGREED AS THESE RELATIONS ARE IMPORTANT TO US AND WE HAVE EXPERIENCED DIFFICULTIES RECENTLY. VANCE

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